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steps taken to prevent mishaps in damaged quarters

1. Dev Nagar: The 1 No. quarter is lying vacant and is beyond economical repairs.
2. J & H Block Mandir Marg: The repair work is in progress.
3. The quarters of Sector-4, DIZ Area, are being got vacated and minor repairs have been done.
4. Essential minor repairs are being carried out to the extent possible, such as ceiling plaster, regarding, etc. in the mali quarters at Prithvi Raj Lane.
5. The loose concrete due to disintegration of R.C.C. by corrosion of reinforcement from the slabs and beams have been dismantled to avoid any injury to the occupant. Allottees have been alerted to report immediately in case further spalling of concrete is noticed. Directorate of Estates have been requested to allot alternate accommodation.

Pending Urban Development Projects of Punjab

3639. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the urban development projects of Punjab pending with Government for the last two years;

(b) the reasons therefor; and

(c) the concrete steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) to (c) Under the Revised Centrally sponsored Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) which is being implemented in various States including Punjab, Urban Development Projects are approved by State Level Sanctioning Committees. Out of the projects for 4 towns approved by the State Level Sanctioning Committee of Punjab during the last two years, 3 projects have been provided assistance under IDSMT. The project in respect of the 4th town, namely, Abohar, could not be covered in the past as the inclusion of this town did not conform to the categorywise town allocation conveyed to the State Government.

Regularisation of services of CPWD Enquiry clerks

3640. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2859 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th December, 1996 and state:

(a) the details regarding enquiry clerks appointed on muster roll prior to 19th November, 1985 as collected by the CPWD, if any;

(b) whether they belong to Subdivision No.-III at M.B. Road and Aram Bagh; if so, the details thereof; names-wise;

(c) whether any representations from the affected employees have been received by Government; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard and by when their services would be regularised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) It has been reported that CPWD has so far received details of 10 daily rated enquiry clerks engaged prior to 19.11.1985.

(b) Some of the Enquiry Clerks belong to Sub-division No. Ill at M.B. Road and Aram Bagh. Their names are S/Sh. Chandar Bhan, Ram Bahadur, Bhushan Kumar and Vishesh Kumar.

(c) and (d) Representations have been received from some of the affected employees. There is no post designated as 'Enquiry Clerks' in CPWD in the Workcharged Establishment. Therefore, CPWD is considering regularisation of these workers in some other equivalient category.

CPWD service centres in South Avenue and North Avenue

3641. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have examined/monitored the functions/ service and non-cooperative attitude of CPWD service centre staff and officials in South Avenue and North Avenue, New Delhi towards MPs;

(b) if so, the details of the monitoring work carried out during the last three years;

(c) the shortcomings noticed by Government as a result thereof;

(d) the number of complaints received daily during the said period and how many out of them were rectified, rejected, pending and yet to be attended;

(e) what stern action has been taken by Government in this regard; and

(f) the total amount of over time allowance paid to employees during the said period, month-wise and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. TJ. VENKATESWARLU): (a) to (e) The maintenance works of residences of Members of Parliament by all the service Centres of CPWD including South Avenue and North Avenue are regularly monitored and monthly abstract of complaints received and attended to within the stipulated time frame. These monthly abstracts of complaints received and attended are sent regularly to House Committee, Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. Apart from this, the Service Centres, are visited regularly by different officials of CPWD. To get proper feed back on the complaints attended by the service centres, a system of inspection card has also been introduced on which remarks of honourable MPs are obtained from time to time. No complaint regarding non-cooperative attitude of staff and officials of CPWD Service Centre of South Avenue & North Avenue has been received recently.

The complaints attended by North and South Avenue Service Centres during the last three years are given in statement (see below).

The complaints which have remained pending beyond 48 hours are of the nature of special repair like replacement of floor etc. and items which are not required normally and are to be procured specifically.

No shortcoming has been noticed in the functioning of Service Centres of South & North Avenue and as such no stern action has been needed so far.

(f) Details of overtime allowance paid to employees is given in statement II (see below). Reasons for giving overtime are duties on holidays, urgent work beyond duty hours and maintenance of essential service round the clock. Since complaints from the Hon'ble Members could not always be attended during the normal working hours the work charged staff and regular authorised staff had to be engaged on overtime to attend to the pending complaints during off duty hours.